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## NCE HAS KEY SPOT IN 'NEW' NEWARK

Reconstruction of College Area is Vital in Transforming  
Newark to a Place of Awe-Inspiring Splendor

WHEN the redevelopment program in the city of Newark is completed, the entire central part of the city will have been reconstructed. Judging by a display of models and drawings now exhibited in the Newark Museum, the transformation will be awe-inspiring. It seems as though there couldn't be a resident, businessman or visitor who will not be impressed by the new splendor.

It is appropriate that NCE, one of the city's oldest educational institutions, should have an important share in this dramatic project. And it is to the ultimate greater glory of the alumni that the College will be a basic element in the "New Newark."

It will take about ten years to complete the program, and during this period new civic pride will be experienced in proportion to the material advance of the city. Newark is about to achieve an objective which may well become a standard for all other cities in the nation.

The Newark Museum exhibit provides a clear idea of the tall, glistening buildings which will rise from the rubble of demolition. Apartment houses, hospitals, college buildings and centers of art and music will take the place of tenements, saloons, and dilapidated warehouses. Realignment of streets and provision for off-street parking will relieve congestion which now paralyzes traffic.

In the area into which Rutgers and NCE will expand, there now reside 1400 families. Of these, 67 own their homes. The rest are tenants, largely of absentee landlords. Property is controlled by varied, and often, intertwined, interests. Negotiation is difficult. Relocation of present residents and business firms is a major problem.

For these reasons, the program progresses slowly at this stage. The eight areas for which approval has been given, wholly or in part, must be developed almost simultaneously under the Federal Government's Title I program so that all contracts for demolition can be awarded

at the same time. Therefore, a delay in any one area delays all the others.

The Museum exhibit shows 600 acres of land to be acquired for all of the projects at a cost of about \$100,000,000. Construction will cost approximately \$700,000,000. Some of that amount, such as NCE's share of \$7,000,000, has been made available through the bond issue.

The College development will extend from High Street to Lock and from Blocker southwest to the Raymond Boulevard region. South of Raymond Boulevard, in the Springfield Avenue section, a hundred-acre housing and business development is planned. This will be known as Essex Heights and will accommodate apartments for 10,000 families.

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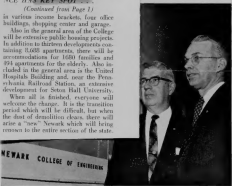
in various income brackets, four office buildings, shopping center and garage.

Also in the general area of the College will be extensive public housing projects. In addition to thirteen developments containing 11,600 apartments, there will be accommodations for 1600 families and 894 apartments for the elderly. Also included in the general area is the United Hospitals Building and, near the Pennsylvania Railroad Station, an extensive development for Seton Hall University.

When all is finished, everyone will welcome the change. It is the transition period which will be difficult, but when the dust of demolition clears, there will arise a "new" Newark which will bring renown to the entire section of the state.

### Postal Rates Cramp Newsletter

There was no February edition of the Alumni Newsletter. Monthly publication was predicated on the possibility of obtaining second-class postage rating. Because of difficulties in processing the application, approval has been delayed. Meanwhile, the newsletter must be mailed at regular bulk rates, which for 6000 copies total \$150.00. In the interest of economy, it was decided to eliminate the February issue. There will be other issues in April and June, with the magazine scheduled in May. Advertising is still being accepted for the magazine. If your company has not yet reserved space, please expedite the process. The more ads, the bigger and better the magazine will be.



President Van Houten and Vice-President Mazell view artist's diagram of the locations of the proposed buildings at NCE scheduled for completion within the next ten years.

## NEWS ABOUT THE COLLEGE

### Weekly Convocations Stated

The annual series of senior convocations began Feb. 15 at the College. Designed to acquaint seniors with current questions of professional development, citizenship, and industrial and social relationships, the talks are open to alumni. The convocations will be held at noon on Wednesdays in the lecture hall of Weston Building.

In March, the lectures will cover various aspects of industrial relations and in April and May, general issues and problems of today's world will be investigated.

On March 8, the speaker, who was Dr. Emanuel Stein, chairman of the Department of Economics at New York University, presented an analysis of labor relations from the viewpoint of an arbitrator. The following week, Mr. Benjamin Werne, a prominent lawyer, discussed the application of the Landon-Griffin law during the past year. On March 22, F. H. Ruby, executive vice-president of Federal Pacific Electric Company, reviewed his personal experience in dealing with organized labor. The following week, a psychiatrist, Dr. Helene Paparek reported her observations of the effects of work loads on the average worker in modern industry.

On April 5, the cultural values and different backgrounds of labor groups

will be defined and analyzed by Dr. Ethel J. Alperfeld, noted anthropologist. After spring recess, the series will resume on April 19 with a talk by Paul Basse, executive secretary of the Newark Economic Development Committee, who will explain the nature of the development programs now under way or planned for the near future in Newark. The following week, April 26, Mayor Leo P. Carlin of Newark will describe some of the problems facing the city.

In May, attention will be directed to the State of New Jersey, the United States, and the world. On May 3, Dr. Salomon J. Flitk, economic adviser for the State of New Jersey, will describe the current economic situation and the future opportunities for young engineers. On May 10, Dr. Joseph Keiper, professor at the Graduate School of Business of New York University will evaluate the economic picture in the United States and will indicate future trends. On May 17, a staff writer of the New York Times will review current international problems pertaining to America.

On May 24, President Van Houten will address the students privately. On May 31, the series will end with a discussion of the civic responsibilities of the engineer by Dr. Norman P. Auburn, president of the University of Akron.



## SPORTS

### Soccer

Although the championship soccer team played its last games in November, fame and honor are still being added. Latest kudos to be acquired goes to Warner Zorn of Union, N. J., a junior. Zorn was selected in January by the National Coaches Association as center halfback on the All-American collegiate team. He previously was voted as the team's most valuable player and was chosen co-captain of the 1961 team.

Other members of the outstanding 1960 team have also been honored. Freshman John Savicky of Livingston was named to the all-New Jersey, Delaware and Pennsylvania team, and Andy Handwerker '63 of Paterson was accorded honorable mention.

### Basketball

The wily cagers, using a new season's defense pattern and a good deal of "better skelter" (as the coach describes it) overcame a first-of-the-season slump to launch a seven-game winning streak that brought the season results to nine victories and nine losses, thereby attaining the .500 season average which has become almost customary in the last few years.

The team was beset during the first half of the season by a lack of coordination which stemmed from insufficient pre-season practice. Then in mid-season, Coach Fred Bauder's strenuous schedule caught up with him and forced him to curtail his coaching duties. Fortunately, Professor Joseph Fingercald, a colleague of Professor Bauder in the Chemistry Department, agreed to take over. Through intensive drill and skillful strategy, he was able to develop team spirit and encourage individual confidence. Among the opponents to feel the effects of this tutelage were twice-defeated Drew, Bloomfield College, Brooklyn Poly, Long Island State College, Stevens and Newark Rutgers.

### Fencing

The fencers whipped through the first seven matches of the season in fine style and, despite a setback by Newark Rutgers at the end of February, defeated Brooklyn Poly on March 1 and were working up a keen edge for a meet with Stevens and two tournaments.



Edward A. Wilson, center, reviews from Arthur Silberman '39 the second half of the Culver Scholarship for his freshman year while President Van Houten adds his congratulations and approval. Mr. Silberman is chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Alumni Scholarship Fund from which the Culver Scholarship is administered. Edward is preparing for mechanical engineering. He formerly lived in Caldwell, prepared for college at Greater Cleveland High School, now lives in Glen Ridge. At NCE, he has a 3.67 average.